

SENATE BILL 257: Appropriations Act of 2017, Sec. 11C.6: Federal Child Support Payments

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OVERVIEW: Sec. 11C.6 of S.L. 2017-57 (SB 257) requires the North Carolina Child Support Services Section (NCCSS) of the Department of Health and Human Services to retain up to 15% of the annual federal incentive payments NCCSS receives to enhance centralized child support services by: (1) consulting with county child support programs, (2) supplementing State expenditures with federal incentive payments for centralized child support services, and (3) developing rules for calculating and distributing the funds. The NCCSS must allocate no less than 85% of federal incentive funds to the county child support services programs to improve effectiveness and efficiency of county child support services.

This section directs the NCCSS to require the county child support services programs to submit an annual plan describing how federal incentive funding improves program effectiveness and efficiency and to report annually on the plan. NCCSS must report with any recommendations to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services and the Fiscal Research Division by November 1 of each year.

This section became effective July 1, 2017.

